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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action mailed September 21, 2000, having a one-month shortened statutory period of response set to expire on October 21, 2000. A Petition for Extension of Time (four (4) months) is being filed currently herewith extending the response due date to February 21, 2001.

It is noted that the Office Action was mailed to an incorrect address. Please see the Revocation and New Power of Attorney originally filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on May 6, 1999. It is respectfully requested that the address listed in this Revocation and New Power of Attorney be entered.

Response to Restriction Requirement:

Responsive to the requirement for restriction, Applicants elect Group I, claims 1-16, drawn to methods of screening test compounds, with traverse. As the Examiner is aware, a restriction requirement is proper when the claimed inventions are independent or distinct and when there is a

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